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M.G. Road vegetable market is on private land

- Owner wins Court case; MCC must relocate market
- 2-acre land was purchased in IT auction for Rs. 92,800 in 1994

Mysuru, Dec. 8 (RK & BCT)- The Principal District and Sessions Court, Mysuru, has delivered a landmark verdict affirming the private ownership of the two-acre vegetable market land on M.G. Road.

In the light of this legal decision, it is now imperative for the authorities to initiate necessary measures for the relocation of the vegetable market to an alternative location. The ruling was given by the then Principal Sessions Court Judge G.S. Sangreshi, who currently holds the position of State Legal Secretary at Bengaluru. With the Court ruling, it becomes imperative for the authorities to invariably shift the vegetable market to some other location.

(See M.G. ROAD on page 7)

Battle next in HC

We will challenge the verdict delivered by Principal District and Sessions Court in the High Court. We have already spoken to Advocate Shankar, representing the Karnataka Exhibition Authority (KEA) and he will procure the copies to go on appeal. The verdict will be challenged."

— Rajesh G. Gowda,
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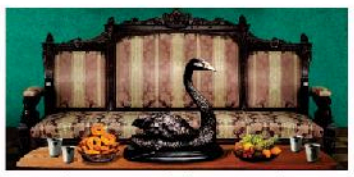
Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Friday 8th December 2023

'Kappuhamsa' short movie grand premiere on Dec. 10



Mysuru, Dec. 8 (BCT)- A grand premiere of the short film 'Kappuhamsa' produced by Studio Swaramadhura, Mysuru will be held on Sunday (Dec. 10) at the Kalpa Kshetra Auditorium, 581/1, 1st Phase, Vijayanagar Fourth Stage, in the city.

The event will feature two shows on the same day, with the first show starting at 5.15 pm, followed by a felicitation ceremony honouring the cast and crew members. Actor-activist Chethan Ahimsa will be the guest of honour. The second show will commence at 6.45 pm. Entry is free. Contact: 78998-06637.

'Kappuhamsa' explores the story of the protagonist, Hamsa, who challenges the male chauvinistic mindset prevalent in society, especially during the quest to find a suitable life partner.

The film sheds light on privileges that men often enjoy during weddings, creating an emotional narrative around the experiences of a progressive and independent girl, Hamsa, in the context of India's social landscape.

The movie has been produced by Ashwini Murali and directed by Rajath Ranganatha. Rakesh Sudhir is the music director, K.V. Sathish (Banni Studio) director of photography, editing and colour by Joffson Pinto (Blue Jacket Creations), art by Musthafa Khan and voice dubbing for lead (Hamsa) Ashwini Murali.

K.M. Rajalakshmi is the lead actor 'Hamsa') and others in the cast are Indira Nayar, B.S. Anand (brother of Mandya Ramesh), Nagarathna Bhat, B.L. Muralidhara, Rajesh Madhavan, Manju V. Narasapura and Rajath Ranganatha.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

What is true love, Sir? How can I ever hope oneness with the Divine?," a disciple queried his Guru. The Guru took him to a pond, then immersed his head within till he was gasping for breath. Then his Guru took him out of it all and said, "The day you find the Divine in all, hearing, seeing, knowing all…When you feel torture, pain all, yet can say, 'You may curse me, you may hurt me yet I will still love you unconditionally,' that is when you have found true love." On a tangential plane he quoted from the Bible, "Even Christ descended upon this earth to shower his beneficence upon all. Yet He was misunderstood. Even when He was nailed upon the Cross not one word of complaint escaped from his lips. On the contrary as he bled from his countless wounds he uttered, "Forgive them, Father, for they know not what they do…"

Closer home, Guru Nanak preached the message of love and universal brotherhood. As for Lord Krishna, when his own kin, Duryodhana, attempted to capture him when He went to the Kauravas as the messenger of peace, Lord Krishna showed his *Vishwarupa* ***to warn of the consequences. Much later, when Duryodhana's cousin, Arjuna, aggrandised by his ego grandly told Krishna to draw the chariot between the two armies, on the battlefield of Kurukshetra, the Lord did so.***

Upon viewing his kin on the other side, Arjuna felt weak. Then Krishna with the aim of elevating this mood, embarked upon the Bhagavad Gita. In between, He blessed him with his Divine *Vishwarupa.* ***There, within the Lord's mouth, when Arjuna beheld the various*** *daivik* ***and*** *asuri shakti,* ***Arjuna knelt before the Lord and beseeched him, "Lord, I cannot behold the vibrancy of this form …bless me and once again appear as my dear friend in your earthly form."***

True love is much like that. We go searching for someone special not realising that the Divine lies within all of us. Much like Sant Kabir sang, we set out like the musk deer searching all around for the intoxicating fragrance of love not realising it lies deep within us... Love the whole universe in its entirety. Only then can we ever find true love...

— Anuradha Rajan in Deccan Herald

NEWS SPARKLERS

Man pays Rs. 1,000 for dosa and idli

Gurugram: A man recently took to X, formerly Twitter, and shared that he was surprised to see how expensive Gurugram is. Ashish Singh had gone to dine at a popular South Indian eatery located at 32nd Avenue and ordered two dosas and a plate of idli.

However, he was shocked to see the bill which totalled Rs. 1,000. Expressing his disappointment, he said, "Gurgaon is crazy, spent 1K on two dosa and idli after waiting for 30 min. This is Carnatic Cafe in 32nd Avenue btw."

Since being shared on the platform, his post has divided internet users. A section of people stated that the prices are fairly reasonable at the restaurant while others gave him a few suggestions as alternatives.

Youth ditches modelling to become a priest

Venice: Edoardo Santini, Italy's most handsome man, has chosen to abandon the world of modeling for a life dedicated to the priesthood. The 21-year-old, known for his chiseled features and charm, is transitioning from a promising career in the spotlight to a spiritual journey, potentially aiding the Catholic Church's efforts to recruit new priests.

In an Instagram video, Santini expressed his commitment, stating, "I've decided to give up modeling work, acting, and dance, but I won't abandon all my passions; I'll just live them differently, offering them up to God."

The video alternated between images of him in modeling poses and kneeling at an altar.

Santini, who has more than 8,000 followers on Instagram, has received a variety of comments on his video from social media users.

HEALTH CAPSULE

Tip to Prevent Heart Attack

Healthy Diet: Eat a balanced diet rich in fruits, vegetables, whole grains, lean proteins, and healthy fats. Limit saturated fats, trans fats, cholesterol, and sodium in your diet. Control portion sizes to prevent overeating.

By Dr. Sasirekha D. - Consultant- Cardiology - Interventional - Manipal Hospital, Mysore

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Inter-College Debate, Music and Essay Competitions

Mysuru, Dec. 8- Sahitya Sangha 2023-24 of The Anathalaya, Mysuru, has been conducting Lokasevaniratha V. Narayana Rao Memorial Inter-College Kannada Debate Competition, Classical Music (Instrument) Competition and Essay contest every year.

The 19th Essay Competition (9 am) and 2nd Classical Music (Instrument) Competition (11 am) will be held at Sadvidya Educational Institution on Narayana Shastry Road in city on Dec. 10. The 28th Kannada Debate Competition will be held at Anathalaya premises near now defunct Shanthala Theatre on Dec. 17 at 9 am.

For Debate Competition, two students (one for and another against the topic) must take part. For essay and music competition, there will be no limit for entries.

Participating students must carry college ID card and permission letter. First three place winners will get Rs. 8,000, Rs. 5,000 and Rs. 3,000 cash prize respectively. For details, contact M.P. Prithvi on Mob: 84311-01056 or B.K. Nithin on 73492-17926 or C.R. Ganesh on 87925-77347.

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LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

"What's the capital of the United States?" ***a teacher asked the class.***
"Washington, DC," ***said one boy student.***
"And what's DC?" ***the teacher continued.***
"Dot Com," ***said the student!!***

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VOICE OF THE READER

It's winter time. Turn off
street-lights once the day breaks

Sir,

It's winter time now and we early morning walkers are finding it tough to go for a walk because certain streets are absolutely dark as the street-lights are switched off early in the morning.

Knowing the risks of walking in the dark, no matter how strong you are, it gives us chills to wade through these streets.

Unfortunately as you age we don't get enough sleep till day breaks and doctors suggest it is better to walk in empty stomach.

It is my humble request to CESC authorities to turn off the street-lights once the day breaks so that the walkers can go ahead with their heads up high rather than falling into a pit in the dark.

— A concerned walker
Mysuru
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Interviews for Australian and New Zealand Varsity admissions in Mysuru

Mysuru, Dec. 8- Leading student consultancy firm, Overseas Educational Services (OES), is hosting a special interview session for admission to premier Universities in Australia and New Zealand on Saturday (Dec. 9) at the OES Mysuru Office, located at No. 141-A, Devaraj Urs Road.

Dilip Rai, Director of OES, will be available for consultations with students aspiring to pursue higher studies in these countries, with admissions for February 2024/July 2024.

Students may visit the venue between 12 noon and 5 pm for free counselling, information sessions and any queries. Students will have to bring two sets of their recent marks cards.

Australian and New Zealand Universities offer top-notch education in various fields such as engineering, architecture, medicine, nursing, law, business, finance, communication, food science, IT, artificial intelligence, cybersecurity, data science, counselling, biotechnology and pharmaceutical science. Most courses make students eligible for post-study work permits in Australia and New Zealand.

With three decades of experience, OES has successfully placed thousands of students and remains a key player in providing free consultancy services for admissions to major Universities in Australia and New Zealand. For details, contact Mob: 97316-16027 or 98453-21201 or email: *admin@oesedu.com*.

Seminar on women in Rotary

Mysuru, Dec. 8- Rotary Club of Mysore East has organised a seminar "Celebrating Women in Rotary' on Dec. 10 from 10 am to 4 pm at Sri Kanteerava Narasimharaja Sports Club (Mysore Sports Club) in city.

The seminar will focus on women in leadership and the speakers will share insights on crucial topics. Dr. L. Savitha (Education), Rtn. Elizabeth Cherian (President of Alliance for Health Promotions, Geneva, DG Nominee - 2025-26), Rtn. Revathi Kamath of Zerodha and Swathi Chandrashekar (Journalist, Founder and CEO of Citizen India Forum), will speak on role of women in shaping younger generations, well-being and leadership.

Rtn. H.R. Keshav, DG, RI Dist.3181, will be the chief guest. Rtn. B.C. Geetha, DG, RI Dist.3182 and Rotary International President-Nominee Rtn. Mario Cessar will be present.

The seminar is open to the public with prior registration. For details, contact Mob:99005-10715 or 96633-88036.

Carol singing contest on Dec. 10

Carmel Catholic Association member Sade Bose addressing media persons at Patrakarthara Bhavan in city yesterday as Association Convenor Joseph Chacko, President Prof. Joseph Mathew, office-bearers M.K. Johny and Johnson Chalissery look on.

Mysuru, Dec. 8- The 31st carol singing competition organised by Carmel Catholic Association (CCA), Mysuru, will be held on Dec. 10 at Teresian College auditorium in Siddarthanagar.

Addressing a press meet at Patrakarthara Bhavan yesterday, CCA member Sade Bose said the day-long competition will be inaugurated by *Star of Mysore* and *Mysuru Mithra* Managing Editor Vikram Muthanna at 8.30 am on Sunday.

Apostolic Administrator of Mysore Diocese Most Rev. Dr. Bernard Moras will be the chief guest. CCA Advisor Rev. Fr. Rijo Thomas CMI will be the guest of honour. CCA President Prof. Joseph Mathew will preside.

Valedictory function will be held at 6.30 pm in which University of Mysore Vice-Chancellor Prof. N.K. Lokanath and Mandya Diocese Bishop Most Rev. Mar Sebastian Adayantharath will be the chief guests. Mandya Bishop will also deliver the Christmas message and valedictory address. Rev. Fr. Augustine Payampallil CMI, Provincial, St. Pauls Province, Mysuru and CCA Patron, will be the guest of honour. Prof. Joseph Mathew will preside over the event.

The contest, with the theme 'Christmas carols,' will be held under 12 categories in English, Kannada and other regional languages. More than 4,000 carolers will be taking part.

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NEWS BRIEFS

Prize distribution tomorrow

The prizes for the winners of 'Kala Sharada- 2023', an Inter-collegiate cultural contest hosted by city's Sarada Vilas PU College, will be distributed at a programme to take place at Sarada Vilas Centenary Hall in Krishnamurthypuram at 10.30 am tomorrow (Dec. 9). KSGH Music and Performing Arts University Vice-Chancellor Prof. Nagesh V. Bettakote will be the Chief Guest.

Science Sanje

Kalasuruchi and Kutuhali have jointly organised Science Sanje at Suruchi Rangamane on Chitrabhanu Road, Kuvempunagar, Mysuru, tomorrow (Dec. 9) between 6.30 pm and 7.30 pm. Dr. Belle Damodara Shenoy, Principal Scientist, NIO, Vishakapatnam, will speak on the "Role of Fungi in Human life," in Kannada and English languages.

Children's Play on Dec. 9 and 10

City's Natana School of Theatre Arts will perform children's play titled 'Hebbala' at Natana premises in Ramakrishnanagar at 6.30 pm on Dec. 9 and 10. The play is scripted by Jayateertha and directed by noted actor Mandya Ramesh. For details, contact Mob: 72595-37777/ 94804-68327 or 98455-95505, according to a press release.

Story-telling

As part of 'Kathe Kelona Banni-805,' Kalasuruchi has organised story-telling by P. Mukund, retd. Head Master, Seva Bharathi, Teerthahalli, Shivamogga, at Suruchi Rangamane, Chitrabhanu Road, Kuvempunagar, on Dec. 9 between 4.30 pm and 5.30 pm. For details, contact Mob: 92435-81097 or 99459-43115.

Millets cooking contest on Dec. 13

As part of International Millets and Organic fest, the Agriculture Department will be conducting a Millets cooking contest in city on Dec. 13. Interested participants can apply along with their name, address, the cooking materials they use and time for cooking, to the Office of the Joint Director of Agriculture, Public Offices building, New Sayyaji Rao Road, before 12 noon on Dec. 11. The applications can also be e-mailed to ***jdamysuru@gmail.com***, according to a press release. For details, contact Mob: 82779-33105, according to press release.

Youth 'assaults' RI for telling him not to smoke

Daylight incident at MCC Zonal Office-5 in Hebbal; erring youth arrested, sent to JC

Mysuru, Dec. 8 (BLU&BS)- A **Revenue Inspector (RI)** of Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) Zonal Office-5 at Hebbal in city had to face the wrath of a youth for questioning the latter for smoking cigarette on the Office premises. Metagalli Police later arrested the youth on charges of assaulting the RI who has been remanded to judicial custody by a Court.

RI Nandakumar saw Dhanush smoking near the main door of the Zonal Office and asked him to go out. Later, when the RI was discussing a matter in the Zonal Commissioner's chamber, Dhanush allegedly barged into the chamber and abused Nandakumar. Even as Nandakumar told him it was wrong to abuse a Government Official, Dhanush who was in no mood to hear, continued to abuse him and allegedly assaulted him. When the colleagues of Nandakumar intervened, Dhanush, who was allegedly drunk manhandled them too, it is alleged.

Nandakumar lodged a complaint at Metagalli Police Station later accusing Dhanush of assaulting a Government Officer on duty and issuing a murder threat.

Following the complaint, Metagalli Police acted swiftly and arrested Dhanush and produced him before a Court which remanded him to judicial custody on the day of the incident, said DCP (Law and Order) M. Muthuraj, denying allegations of MCC Employees Association that the accused in the case has not be arrested.

We have been taking action on the basis of readers' letters published in newspapers, airing their grievances, if it is related to law and order situation. As always, Police Department takes a serious look into readers letters.

—M. Muthuraj, DCP (Law and Order)

No action yet on miscreants act near Abhishek Circle

It has been 10 days since two two-wheeler riders allegedly assaulted another two-wheeler rider for no reasons near Abhishek Circle in Hebbal, but the Police are yet to take any action against them.

Mysuru Mithra, a sister publication of *Star of Mysore* had published a letter in 'Letter to the Editor' column, dated Nov. 26, 2023, where an eyewitness to the incident had explained about the assault case.

"Two vehicle riders stopped another rider and beat him black and blue, before banging against his head, triggering anxious moments among those waiting for bus at the nearby bus stop. They fled from the spot later," the letter published in the exclusive column of the newspaper stated.

With no action taken in the case, the public feel that the Police may be in a dilemma to initiate action following the growing trend of unknown persons felicitating newcomer or transferred Police Officer.

Yesterday, Nandakumar and other employees who met Venkataram, President of MCC Employees Association had urged him to mount pressure on City Police Commissioner to initiate suitable action against the accused.

Venkataram appealed to Dr.G.C. Prakash, Regional Commissioner, Mysuru Division, who is also the MCC Administrator and MCC Commissioner Ashaad-Ur-Rahman Shariff to urge the Police to take legal action against the accused.

Masked miscreant caught while attempting to snatch gold chain

Mysuru, Dec. 8- A masked miscreant, who attempted to snatch a gold chain after throwing chilli powder on the victim was caught by the residents and handed over to the jurisdictional VV Puram Police.

The incident took place at Loco Colony of the Railway Quarters near Vani Vilas Water Works (VVWW) on Dec. 5 evening and the accused has been identified as Manju of Srirangapatna.

At about 7.30 pm on Dec. 5, 37-year-old B.G. Devaraju, a resident of J.C. Nagar and driver of Railway Department's Divisional Signal and Communication Engineer Gaurav Dangode, dropped the Engineer to his quarters and was proceeding near the compound of the quarters when the masked accused threw chilli powder into his eyes and tried to snatch the gold chain he (Devaraju) was wearing.

Engineer Gaurav immediately rushed to the help of Devaraju, but the accused threw chilli powder into his eyes too. But Devaraju and Gaurav had caught the accused tightly and in the meantime, the residents of the Colony rushed to their help and caught the accused, giving him no chance to escape.

They later handed over accused Manju to VV Puram Police Station.

Father-son mercilessly whip horse

Mysuru, Dec. 8 (BLU&KS)- A father and his son displayed their cruelty by beating a horse mercilessly with a whip near the tonga stand at Agrahara Circle in city yesterday night.

Though the horse collapsed due to severe whipping by the father-son duo, they continued to beat the horse without mercy.

When the public began to question them, the father and his son began to abuse them, resulting in the public retreating from the spot.

A few people were heard telling that the authorities should strictly implement animal laws to save animals from being abused by their owners or by the public.

Unidentified body found

Mysuru, Dec. 8 (KS)- Nanjangud Police, on Dec. 4 at about 1.50 pm, found an unidentified man lying sick near Lord Shiva's statue in front of Srikanteshwara Temple and admitted him to K.R. Hospital in city.

The unidentified man, aged about 40 years, breathed his last at the hospital on Dec. 5 and a case has been registered at Nanjangud Police Station.

Those having information about the deceased person or the kith and kin of the deceased may contact Nanjangud Police Station on Ph: 08221-228383 or call the District Police Control Room on Ph: 0821-2520040, according to a press release.

Three cheated of over Rs. 62 lakh by online fraudsters

Mysuru, Dec. 8- In separate cases, online fraudsters have cheated three persons to the tune of Rs. 62,96,170.

In the first case, 49-year-old Manjula, a resident of Ramakrishna Nagar, received a message from Mobile No. 95171-94389, which offered high commission for giving good rating to Google Map.

The fraudsters to make her believe deposited Rs. 150 to her bank account as commission and later got a total of Rs. 39,84,000 transferred from her bank account in phases, thus cheating her.

In the second case, 22-year-old L. Manjunath of Hebbal, received a message from Mobile No. 91108-57453, where the online fraudsters asked him to invest in a website and double his invested money in a short span of time.

The fraudsters then got Rs. 22,17,170 transferred from his bank account and cheated him.

In the third case, a fraudster, who contacted 25-year-old M. Gayathri, who resides in a Paying Guest (PG) accommodation near Abhishek Circle here via Mobile No. 62650-37371, introduced himself as a HR manager of an IT company, told Gayathri that she would be given high commission for completing tasks and got Rs. 95,000 transferred from her, thus cheating her.

All the three cases have been registered at city's CEN Police Station.

Kodagu Village Accountant taken to task by villagers over issue of Caste Certificate

Villagers are harassed as local officers lack understanding of local issues, traditions

Mysuru, Dec. 8 (BCT)- Residents of remote villages in Kodagu are facing challenges in completing their routine official work due to lack of knowledge among many village and taluk-level officers regarding the district's social equations and the pattern of land documents.

Recently, residents of K. Badaga village in South Kodagu expressed their discontent over a Caste Certificate matter involving a Village Accountant who came to K. Badaga village in South Kodagu from Arsikere in Hassan on transfer.

A.P. Motaiah, the Joint Secretary of T. Shettigeri Ex-Servicemen Association, informed *Star of Mysore* **that K. Nachappa and his wife, members of the Kodava community, visited the Panchayat Office to seek a Caste Certificate identifying the lady as 'Kodava' to facilitate obtaining a gun licence for her.**

Harshith Nayak, the Village Accountant, transferred to K. Badaga six months back, allegedly refused to issue the Caste Certificate, asserting that the lady needed to prove her Kodava community affiliation despite her marriage to a Kodava. He told the lady that she had come from Kerala and not a Kodava.

Disheartened by the Village Accountant's behaviour, Nachappa shared the incident with friends and community members. On Dec. 5, over 15 to 20 villagers visited the Panchayat Office to address the matter.

The issue was brought to the attention of Srimangala Deputy Tahsildar Akkamma and Revenue Inspector Poonacha alleging that Harshith Nayak had misbehaved and insulted the couple.

They advised Nayak to treat villagers courteously and clarified that as per regulations, Nachappa's wife was entitled to a gun licence, and the Village Accountant was obliged to recommend the issuance of the Caste Certificate.

When the villagers demanded the suspension of the Village Accountant, Akkamma and Poonacha urged restraint, assuring that such incidents would not recur. The matter was later brought to the notice of the Tashildar and Harshith Nayak was instructed to rectify his behaviour.

Residents pointed out that officers and staff unfamiliar with Kodagu and its communities are appointed at Panchayat levels, where much of the local Government work takes place. **They suggested that while higher-ranking officers may come from outside the district, the Government should consciously appoint persons with local knowledge to grassroots positions to prevent such incidents.**

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Conducive industrial milieu must for food processing: ISRO Chief

At CFTRI's four-day ninth IFCoN-2023, Dr. S. Somanath lays special emphasis on Small Scale Industries

Mysuru, Dec.8 (PM&BS)- Chairman of Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) Dr. S. Somanath opined that There is a need to encourage Small Scale Industries (SSIs) involved in food processing on a large scale in the country.

He was speaking after inaugurating the ninth International Food Convention (IFCoN-2023) organised by Central Food Technological Research Institute (CFTRI), Mysuru, in association with Association of Food Scientists & Technologists (India)- AFST-I at the Convocation Hall of Karnataka State Open University (KSOU) in city last evening. The convention concludes on Dec. 10.

Member of the erstwhile Mysore Royal Family Pramoda Devi Wadiyar lighting the lamp during the inauguration of the ninth International Food Convention (IFCoN-2023) organised by Central Food Technological Research Institute (CFTRI), Mysuru, in association with Association of Food Scientists & Technologists (India)-AFST-I at the Convocation Hall of Karnataka State Open University (KSOU) in city yesterday as (from left) Dr. N. Bhaskar, Director of Indian Institute of Toxicology Research (IITR), Lucknow and Chairman of AFST(I), Mysuru, Dr. Suresh D. Sakhare, Organising Secretary of IFCoN-2023, Dr. S. Somanath, Chairman of ISRO, Dr. Sridevi Annapurna Singh, Director of CFTRI, Mysuru and Dr. Anil Dutt Semwal, Director of DFRL, Mysuru, look on.

"With due encouragement, more benefits can be derived along with providing jobs. It is not advisable to ape western countries by relying on machineries on a big scale. It is better to build our industrial sector suiting the lifestyle of our country, as there would be a rise in unemployment if more priority is given to machinery," observed Dr. Somanath.

Saying that it is essential to create a conducive industrial environment for food processing, Dr. Somanath said, "Food technology industry is facing enormous challenges in the areas of storing and processing, which could be addressed by encouraging SSIs on a large scale."

India has made significant strides related to food security with the help of science and technology and there has been a considerable improvement in the production of food grains and distribution system. But still, there have been hiccups which can be taken care of by technology. It is now possible to estimate crop loss with the help of remote sensing without visiting the place, which has been made possible by Space Technology, asserted Dr. Somanath.

Likewise, remote sensing also has come in handy in detecting the diseases affecting the crops beforehand, with ISRO aiding sustainable development of the agrarian sector. Acting on the data sent by satellites with the help of remote sensing technology, the duration of the crop and quantity of harvest are also being estimated, with seven crops being monitored for the benefit of the Agriculture Department. It is being extended to 20 more crops, added Dr. Somanath.

Remote sensing method is used to offset the losses incurred due to the diseases affecting coconut plantations in Kerala. Following the solution, a similar method is extended to all the crops and ISRO is also coming to the rescue in providing food security and augmenting crop yield.

ISRO is also providing weather updates and the information pertaining to sea

temperature, water nutrients and growth of fishes are being collected through satellite at Hyderabad ISRO centre, said Dr. Somanath.

Even the underground water table in the country is assessed with the help of satellites by ISRO, on the basis of which 90 percent of borewells with water availability were identified. There have been several reforms with the help of remote sensing method, as it is possible even to estimate inland water distribution, he noted.

Earlier, the availability of water in borewells was less, but now with the aid of technology we have been able to dig deep into the various aspects of geology, which is one of the significant achievements, he added.

Dr. N. Kalaiselvi, Director General of Council for Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR), who addressed the conference in a virtual mode, thanked the erstwhile royal family of Mysore for donating the spacious building and land for CFTRI. A souvenir was also released.

Member of the erstwhile Mysore Royal Family Pramoda Devi Wadiyar, who was the chief guest, inaugurated the exhibition. Over 15 prizes were given towards the achievements made in the food sector.

Dr. Sridevi Annapurna Singh, Director of CFTRI, Dr. Anil Dutt Semwal, Director of Defence Food Research Laboratories (DFRL), Mysuru, Dr.N. Bhaskar, Director of Indian Institute of Toxicology Research (IITR), Lucknow and Chairman of AFST(I), Mysuru, Dr. Suresh D. Sakhare, Organising Secretary of IFCoN-2023, Dr. Tanaji G. Kudre and others were present.

Earlier, Padma Shri Dr. Shashank R. Joshi inaugurated Padma Shri Prof. M.S. Swaminathan Padma Awardee Lecture Series and also delivered a lecture. Former VC, University of Mysore and CSIR Emeritus Fellow Prof. K.S. Rangappa presided over the lecture session.

'Trim Safe' expo of food products begins at CFTRI

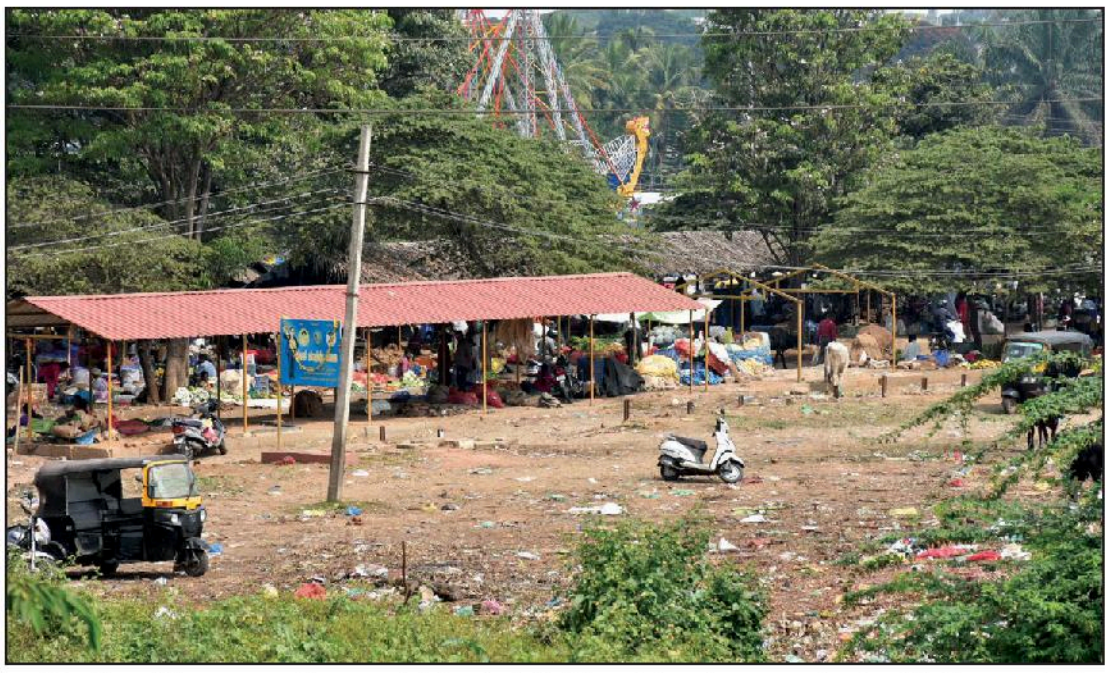
CFTRI Director Dr. Sridevi Annapurna Singh going through a product at 'Trim Safe', an exhibition of food products at CFTRI in city this morning as others look on.

Mysuru, Dec. 8 (MK, BLU& BS)- 'Trim Safe,' an exhibition organised by Central Food Technological Research Institute (CFTRI), Mysuru in association with Association of Food Scientists and Technologists (India)-AFST (I) as part of International Food Convention (IFCoN-2023) at CFTRI premises, began this afternoon.

The exhibition has over 70 stalls including four of CFTRI, Government and private vendors, which have kept on display, various food processing technologies transferred by CFTRI to entrepreneurs, machines and several products, for the benefit of students and public. A poster exhibition by the students, pertaining to food processing, investigations, machine and latest technology and academic courses related to food sector is also organised as part of the expo.

With the year 2023 observed as International Year of Millets, an exclusive section of millet products is the highlight of the expo. The expo will be open from 1 pm to 5 pm today and will be open from 10 am to 5 pm on Dec. 9 and 10. Entry to public is free from CFTRI North Gate.

M.G. Road vegetable market



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The property, acquired in 1994 for a sum of Rs. 92,800, is confirmed to be under the ownership of N. Vijaykumar, a resident of Domlur in Bengaluru.

Judge Sangreshi emphasised that Vijaykumar holds absolute rights over the land, and the legitimacy of his ownership cannot be contested by the State Government or any other Governmental agency.

Case details

The erstwhile royal family of Mysore owns the Garikemaala land extending up to 145 acres and 13 guntas. When D. Devaraj Urs was the Chief Minister, 80 acres of land was acquired by the Government and it shifted the Dasara Exhibition from J.K. Grounds to the Garikemaala land and handed over the 80-acre land to the possession of Karnataka Exhibition Authority.

A significant turn of events occurred when Srikantadatta Narasimharaja Wadiyar, a member of the royal family, faced tax liabilities with the Income Tax Department. As part of the resolution, and with the approval of Srikantadatta Narasimharaja Wadiyar, the Income Tax Department auctioned a two-acre portion of the land, which is presently occupied by the M.G. Road vegetable market.

Auction on May 27, 1994

The auction, conducted on May 27, 1994, resulted in the legal purchase of the two-acre land by Vijaykumar of Domlur for a sum of Rs. 92,800. Following the successful bid, the Income Tax Department formally handed over the sale deed (certificate) to Vijaykumar, thereby establishing his rightful ownership of the property.

However, the Karnataka Exhibition Authority claimed ownership of the entire 145.13-acre land. This issue reached the Court. After hearing the case and arguments, Principal Sessions Court judge Sangreshi delivered the verdict on Oct. 22 and said that the Karnataka Exhibition Authority owns only the 80-acre land.

Arguing for petitioner Vijaykumar, Advocate O. Sham Bhat quoted a High Court order and said that the Karnataka Exhibition Authority only owned 80-acre land while the remaining 145.13-acre land is owned by the erstwhile Mysore royal family.

As per Constitutional provisions

The Court accepted this argument, noting that the Income Tax Department had auctioned the two-acre land to recover tax dues from Srikantadatta Narasimharaja Wadiyar. Citing Article 363 of the Constitution of India, the Court affirmed Vijaykumar as the absolute owner of the two-acre land, and the ownership could not be contested by the State Government or its agencies.

Moreover, the Court ruled similarly in the case of the property purchased from the royal family by Mysuru hotelier Dharmaprakash. Representing Dharmaprakash, Advocate Sham Bhat argued that the Karnataka Exhibition Authority had no rights over the property, as it belonged to the royal family.

The Court upheld this argument, stating that as the royal family had legally sold the land to Dharmaprakash, he now holds absolute ownership of the properties in question.

Leopard cubs found in sugarcane field reunited with mother

Mysuru, Dec. 8 (SBD&KS)- Three leopards cubs including a rare black cub which were rescued from sugarcane field at Ayarahalli village in the taluk have been reunited with their mother.

The leopard cubs were found during harvesting of sugarcane at the field belonging to Dyavannanayaka at Ayarahalli village. Labourers, who heard the leopard cubs squeaking, rescued the cubs and brought them to a safe place. The villagers immediately put them in a box and handed them over to the Forest Department staff. It is said that the cubs were born a week back.

Efforts were made to reunite the cubs with their mother and the Forest Department staff had installed camera traps around the

sugarcane field where the cubs were found. Also, Leopard Task Force personnel were deployed at a distance from the spot where the cubs were found to monitor the place.

Yesterday, the three cubs were placed in a cage and the cage was kept in the sugarcane field where the cubs were found. The mother leopard, which came in search of her cubs went into the cage and was trapped along with her cubs.

The Forest staff then shifted the cage along with the leopard and three cubs to Aranya Bhavan in city where the health of the leopard and her cubs were checked by the veterinarian. It is learnt that the Forest staff after seeking permission from their senior Officers will release the leopard and the cubs into their natural habitat.

Obituary

Sampath Kumari Ethiraj

Mysuru, Dec. 8 - Sampath Kumari Ethiraj (82), wife of A. Ethiraj and a resident of Gokulam, passed away at a private hospital in city yesterday.

She leaves behind her husband, three daughters, sons-in-law, grandchildren, great grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends. Last rites were held at Mukthidhama in Vijayanagar 4th Stage this noon.

K. Satish

K. Satish (48), partner of Wipra Trans (Transport) Division and a resident of Sharadadevi Nagar, passed away at a private hospital in city yesterday morning. He leaves behind his mother, wife, one son and a host of relatives and friends. Last rites were held at the foot of Chamundi Hill yesterday evening.

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Mysuru gears up to open three key infra projects

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Railway Minister invited to open projects that will boost development: Pratap Simmha

Mysuru, Dec. 8 (BCT)- Three mega projects, comprising two major infrastructure developments and a software project, are set for inauguration in Mysuru. These projects are anticipated to reshape the development landscape of the region by attracting more investments in Information Technology, facilitating smooth transportation and bolstering the export business.

In a note to media persons, Mysuru-Kodagu MP Pratap Simmha has said that the Rs.102 crore Multi-Modal Logistics Park (MMLP) or Inland Container Yard (ICD) or Railway Goods Shed at Kadakola in Nanjangud built by the Container Corporation of India (CONCOR) is ready for inauguration. Built in an area of 55 acres, the project is ready for domestic rail operations.

He said that he has invited Railway Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw to inaugurate the MMLP and other two projects — Software Technology Parks of India and the remodelling works of the Ashokapuram Railway Station.

CONCOR project ready for operations

Recently, CONCOR Area-III (South) posted on X (formerly Twitter): The CONCOR's latest state-of-the-art terminal, MMLP-Kadakola (GCCK) in Mysore is ready for domestic rail operations with immediate effect.

MMLP is well-equipped with an independent goods train terminal and a dedicated rail line. This infrastructure has been specifically designed to ensure the seamless and efficient movement of goods in and out of the logistics park.

The integration of this strategic feature is geared towards enhancing the overall appeal of the project, especially for exporters. It is expected to reduce transportation costs, stimulate merchandise activities, and contribute to the industrial development of the region.

The facility will include a cold storage unit and provisions for Customs clearances for both export and import cargo. Currently, industrialists in the Mysuru region obtain Customs clearance at ports, but with this facility, these services will be conveniently available at their doorstep, according to sources.

Software Technology Parks of India

Another project that is ready for inauguration is the Software Technology Parks of India (STPI) building and incubation centre at Hebbal industrial area, near Infosys campus. STPIs have been established at five locations in Karnataka; Electronics City, Bengaluru and sub-centres in Mysuru, Hubballi, Mangaluru and Manipal.

Built at a cost of Rs. 27.64 crore, the three-storey, 40,000 square feet building offers 110 plug-and-play seats, along with 6,500 square feet of semi-furnished raw space featuring a data centre, server room, and network operation centre for high-speed data communication. It also includes a 100-seater auditorium, conference hall, discussion rooms and a cafeteria.

STPI Mysuru aims to promote software and software services development and export, manage infrastructure resources, and provide statutory and promotional services to exporters.

Remodelled Ashokapuram Railway Station

The third mega project to be inaugurated by Ashwini Vaishnaw is the yard remodelling works at Ashokapuram Railway Station. SWR has undertaken these works at an estimated cost of Rs. 30.42 crore.

Provisions have been made for three extra two-platform lines, supplementing the existing three lines and introducing new platforms 4 and 5. Platform 1's current length will increase by 87.5 metres, and platforms 2 and 3 will extend by 57.5 metres.

The existing foot-over-bridge, connecting platforms 1, 2 and 3, is being extended to link with new platforms 4 and 5, facilitating access to the outer areas towards Srirampura.

MP seeks new weekly train from Mysuru to Rameshwaram

'Extend Barmer-Yesvantpur train to Mysuru'

Mysuru, Dec. 8 (BCT)- Inviting Railway Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw to inaugurate three mega projects in Mysuru, Pratap Simmha also requested for Mysuru – Rameshwaram and Mysuru – Barmer weekly trains. The existing Barmer-Yesvantpur train can be extended to Mysuru and a new weekly train can be introduced from Mysuru to Rameshwaram, the MP stated in his memorandum.

Emphasising the potential benefits, he highlighted that these additional destinations would not only enhance travel options but also stimulate tourism and pilgrimage activities. The proposed railway routes would traverse several noteworthy towns and cities, thereby establishing a crucial transportation link for residents.

The religious and spiritual significance of Rameshwaram, making a direct train connection from Mysuru, via Bengaluru, is instrumental in facilitating pilgrimages. This would further promote religious tourism, considering the devout following of this sacred destination.

Mysuru-Kodagu MP Pratap Simmha submitting a memorandum to Union Railway Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw.

Highlighting Mysuru as a premier tourist destination in South India, Simmha asserted that the extension of the train route from Mysuru to Barmer would significantly contribute to boosting tourism prospects. Currently, the Barmer-Yesvantpur train connects Badami, Hubballi, Bagalkot, Solapur, Pune, Surat, Vadodara, Ahmedabad and more.

The fast and convenient rail connectivity to Mysuru would play a pivotal role in achieving these objectives.

'Cash-for-query' allegations

Ethics Panel tables report on Mahua Moitra in Parliament

New Delhi. Dec. 8 (Agencies)- The Parliament reconvened for Day 5 this morning and the Parliamentary Ethics Committee submitted its report in the Lok Sabha recommending the expulsion of Trinamool Congress (TMC) MP Mahua Moitra over the 'cash-for-query' allegations.

The Opposition asked for a division of votes on the report to determine the Trinamool leader's immediate political future. The BJP has, however, prepared for this and issued a whip to its MPs to remain in the house.

The Ethics Committee Chairman Vinod Kumar Sonkar tabled the Panel's first report when the House re-convened at noon after an adjournment during the Question Hour.

Trinamool Congress members and some from the Congress trooped into the Well of the House raising slogans demanding a copy of the report.

Trinamool Congress member Kalyan Banerjee demanded a discussion on the report before its recommendations are put to vote, which would lead to the expulsion of Moitra from the House.

Mahua Moitra

Amid uproar, BJP member Rajendra Agrawal, who was in the chair, adjourned the proceedings till 2 pm. As soon as Speaker Om Birla started the Question Hour, Congress Leader Adhir Ranjan Chowdhury mentioned the report recommending the expulsion of Moitra.

Speaker Birla said the matter is listed, and he will give time to the MPs to speak when the business is taken up. "The matter has not been taken up yet... Question Hour is your time, you can ask questions," he said. "This is not as per the rules of procedure. It is there in the list of businesses, when it is taken up, I will provide you enough time to speak," Birla said.

Bullet hit Arjuna, says Mahout; a piece of wood, say officials

Tamed elephants, caretakers return to camps with heavy heart; still shocked over Arjuna's death

Scion of erstwhile Mysore royal family Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar and wife Trishikha Devi Wadiyar pay their respects to Arjuna's burial site in Hassan yesterday.

Mysuru / Hassan, Dec. 8 (MTY & BCT)- The controversies surrounding the demise of the majestic Arjuna, the Dasara elephant, in a confrontation with a wild tusker at the Yeslur Range of Hassan, continue to unfold with fresh accounts of alleged negligence by the Forest Department.

Forest Department officials have denied claims of negligence, but Arjuna's mahout, Vinu, shared a different perspective. According to Vinu, Arjuna sustained bullet injuries during the operation. Recounting the incident, Vinu stated that the confrontation between Arjuna and the wild tusker was intense, to the extent that it became challenging for forest personnel to distinguish Arjuna from the wild tusker.

In an attempt to halt the fierce battle, a bullet was fired, which unfortunately struck Arjuna's leg. In addition to the bullet injury, Arjuna's nail was injured as a piece of leftover wood from a severed tree pierced it.

Vinu explained that Arjuna eventually collapsed during the fight and the wild tusker fatally gored him to death.

These fresh revelations bring into question the handling of the situation by the Forest Department, as accounts of bullet injuries and the circumstances leading to Arjuna's tragic demise come to light. The conflicting narratives between the Forest Department officials and Arjuna's mahout add to the ongoing controversy surrounding this unfortunate incident.

Officials refute allegations

In response to allegations suggesting lapses in the operation and mistakes by the Forest Department, Chief Conservator of Forests Ravishankar refuted the claims, stating that the veterinarians conducted the post-mortem of Arjuna following established norms. He emphasised that if there had been any bullet injury on any of Arjuna's legs, it would have been detected during the autopsy.

Deputy Conservator of Forest (DCF) Mohan Kumar countered the narrative, asserting that Arjuna was in severe pain due to a wound caused by a piece of leftover wood from a severed tree piercing his leg. He mentioned having observed the bleeding wound while preparing to put a radio collar on the wild tusker if captured. Regarding Mahout Vinu's claim that Arjuna was hit by a bullet and incapacitated during the fight, he dismissed this assertion.

In light of the tragic death of Arjuna, the Forest Department has temporarily halted the operation to tag rogue wild elephants in Alur and Sakleshpur with radio collars for a duration of 10 days.

This decision aims to provide rest to other tamed elephants and mahouts who are reportedly distressed and still coping with the shock of Arjuna's demise. The four elephants that participated in the 10-day operation have been transported back to the camp.

Tusker found dead inside Bandipur

Mysuru, Dec. 8 (SBD&BCT)- A wild elephant was found dead in the Gundlupet range within the Bandipur Tiger Reserve on Wednesday. Although the body was in an advanced state of decomposition, the tusks were found to be intact, indicating no signs of foul play.

The incident was brought to the attention of the officers when personnel on the daily forest beat reported the smell of the deceased animal. The elephant, estimated to be around 40 to 45 years old, was believed to have died of natural causes.

Officials said that a postmortem was conducted yesterday and it confirmed the elephant's natural death. The tusks were subsequently removed and placed in the custody of Forest Department. Adhering to protocol, the carcass was left undisturbed at the site. Bandipur Tiger Reserve Director P. Ramesh Kumar and other senior Officers visited the spot.

Financial irregularities: ED seeks documents from KSOU

Mysuru, Dec. 8 (RK&BCT)- Following the launch of an inquiry by the Enforcement Directorate (ED) into alleged financial irregularities at the Karnataka State Open University (KSOU) in Mysuru, the investigating agency has formally requested documents from the university under section 50 of the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA), 2002.

The ED, in an order dated Nov. 9, has specifically sought year-wise audit reports since 2008-09, including details such as the names and addresses of auditors. Additionally, the agency has directed the university authorities to provide details of any internal investigations conducted by the university related to the financial irregularities identified in its accounts and books from 2008-09 to the present.

Confirming this development to *Star of Mysore* this morning, KSOU Registrar Prof. K.L.N. Murthy said that the university would promptly submit all the requested details and documents to the investigating agency.

Addressing reports about KSOU Vice-Chancellor (VC) Sharanappa V. Halse being summoned for investigation by the ED, Murthy clarified that the VC was currently in Belagavi to meet the Higher Education Minister. In a press release, the Department of Information and Public Relations announced the postponement of the inaugural IAS/KAS exam training programme scheduled for Dec. 8 (today) at KSOU due to unavoidable circumstances. The VC's presence was required at the ongoing Assembly session in Belagavi, as per the Government's summons.

The ED's investigation follows a CBI case against KSOU officials, accusing them of misappropriating Rs. 250 crore, collected as fees from students between 2009-10 and 2015-16.

Among the documents sought by the ED are financial records spanning from 2008-09 to the present, a list of all Collaborate Institutions of KSOU in India (and abroad) during the same period, details of audit reports, and copies of complaints filed by the university before law enforcement agencies concerning these irregularities.

The ED order reads: "This office is investigating a case against certain persons/entities under the provision of PMLA 2002 based on the financial irregularities observed in the audit of accounts of the University by its auditor."

The previous BJP Government had entrusted the case to CBI and as it is a matter of economic offence, the ED has taken over the investigation.

EVENTS TODAY (DEC. 8)

- **JSS Medical College, JSS Academy of Higher Education and Research (JSS AHER):** Forensic Fair-2023, JSS Medical College campus, Sri Shivarathreeshwaranagar, **up to 4 pm.** [Mob: 98869-57779 or 98866-73946]
- **Indian Heritage Cities Network:** Temporal Dimensions, an art exhibition by Obayya (exhibition features paintings, installation art and art works made using cow dung), Indian Heritage Cities Network, No. 3, Kantharaj Urs Road, Saraswathipuram, **up to 7.30 pm.**
- **Mysore Builders Charitable Trust (MBCT) - Builders Association of India (BAI), Mysore Centre:** MyBuild-23, exhibition of construction materials, equipment, interiors and lifestyles, **up to 9 pm;** Cultural programmes, Maharaja's College Grounds, **6.30 pm to 8.30 pm.**
- **Karnataka Exhibition Authority (KEA):** Dasara Exhibition, Doddakere Maidan, **3 pm to 9 pm.**
- **Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha:** Veena Duet Concert by Iyer Brothers (Vid. Ramnath Iyer and Gopinath Iyer), accompanied by Vid. Sai Shiv Lakshmi Keshav on mridanga and Vid. Shamith Gowda on ghata, (Smt. S.R. Kumuda Memorial, Sri D.V.S. Acharya Memorial sponsored by Leela Acharya and Ranganatha Iyengar Memorial sponsored by Iyengar Brothers), Sabha premises, JLB Road, **6 pm.**
- **Malini Nrityashale mattu Samskrutika Kendra, Mysuru and Directorate of Kannada & Culture, Bengaluru:** Harikathe by Rajyotsava awardee and Kittur Rani Chennamma Award recipient Dr. Malini (disciple of R. Gururajulu Naidu), Sri Renukadevi Karaga Temple auditorium, next to Park (near Meenakshammanavara Mutt), Ittigegud, **6 pm.**
- **Abhiyenthararu - A Theatre for Engineers, Mysuru:** 30th anniversary celebrations, 'Ranga Sambhrama' Theatre Festival, Folk Scholar Prof. Kalegowda Nagawara inaugurates, Kannada and Culture Joint Director V.N. Mallikarjunaswamy releases the souvenir, senior theatre person Rajashekar Kadamba, film actor and theatre director Rajendra Karanth and Kannada & Culture Assistant Director Dr. M.D. Sudarshan chief guests, **6.30 pm;** Staging of play 'Soole Sanyasi,' written by K.V. Subbanna, directed by Manjunath Badigar, Mini Theatre, Kalamandira premises, Hunsur Road, **7 pm.** [Mob: 99453-55777 or 99022-38443]

EVENTS TOMORROW (DEC. 9)

- **Sri Lakshminarasimhaswamy Temple, Sri Yadugiri Yatiraj Mutt, Mysuru Branch, Kalidasa Road:** Swati Puja, Sankalpa, **8 am;** Abhisheka, **9 am;** Alankara, **10.30 am;** Mahamangalarati, **11.30 am;** Shattumorai, **12.30 pm;** Theertha Prasada Viniyoga, **1 pm;** Prakarotsava, Temple premises, **7.30 pm.**
- **Sadvidya Educational Institutions and Kaveri Charitable Trust:** Annual Athletic Meet-2023, University of Mysore (UoM) VC Prof. N.K. Lokanath chief guest, JSS Dental College & Hospital Professor and Triathlon & Running Coach Dr. Usha Hegde guest of honour, Sadvidya Educational Institutions and Kaveri Charitable Trust President Prof. V.K. Gopalachar presides, Sadvidya Educational Institutions and Kaveri Charitable Trust Secretary Prof. MSK Narahari Babu administrates oath to athletes, Chamundi Vihar, Nazarbad, **8.30 am.**
- **Marimallappa PU College, Mysuru:** Inter-College Memorial competitions — Kannada debate, Bhavageethe, Kho Kho for boys and Throwball for girls — College Principal M.S. Vijaya inaugurates, JSS Educational Institutions retd. Kannada Professor S.N. Nirmaladevi, Marimallappa PU College Hon. Secretary Prof. K.N. Panchaksharaswamy, Educational Officer Mangala Muddumadappa and others will be present, **9 am;** prize distribution ceremony, Mahajana PU College Physical Education Lecturer K.M. Kantharaj, chief guest, Marimallappa PU College Hon. Secretary Prof. K.N. Panchaksharaswamy presides, college premises, **2.30 pm.**
- **Swaraanjali:** 'Sandya Sambhrama' for senior citizens, Singing Competition, MMC&RI's Platinum Jubilee Hall, J.K. Grounds, **9 am.**
- **Mysore Builders Charitable Trust (MBCT) - Builders Association of India (BAI), Mysore Centre:** MyBuild-23, exhibition of construction materials, equipment, interiors and lifestyles, **10 am to 9 pm;** Cultural programmes, Maharaja's College Grounds, **6.30 pm to 8.30 pm.**
- **Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Research And Extension Centre, Manasagangothri:** 74th Constitution Day - Special Lecture Series, Prof. Ashwath Narayan, retd. Professor, DoS in History, Bangalore University, delivers lecture on 'Indian Constitution and History,' Prof. K. Sadashiva, Chairman, DoS in History, Manasagangothri, presides, DoS in History premises, Manasagangothri, **10.30 am.**
- **Mysuru District Kannada Sahitya Parishat:** Releasing of book 'Karnataka Shastriya Sangeetha' authored by Karantak Kalashri Vainika Vid. T.M. Shankar, Vid. Sri Siddhamalla Swamiji, President, Neelakantaswamy Mutt and retd. Principal, Maharaja Sanskrit Pathashale, inaugurates and releases the book, Parishat President Maddikere Gopal presides, District Kannada Sahitya Bhavan, Vijayanagar 1st Stage, **10.30 am.**
- **Sarada Vilas PU College:** Prize Distribution Ceremony of Kala Sharada-2023 Inter-College Cultural Programme, Music University VC Prof. Nagesh V. Bettakote chief guest, Sarada Vilas Educational Institutions President Dr. B.M. Subraya and Hon. Secretary N. Chandrashekar special invitees, Sarada Vilas PU College Principal C.K. Ashok Kumar presides, Centenary Hall, Sarada Vilas Educaional Institutions, **10.30 am.**
- **Indian Heritage Cities Network:** Temporal Dimensions, an art exhibition by Obayya (exhibition features paintings, installation art and art works made using cow dung), Indian Heritage Cities Network, No. 3, Kantharaj Urs Road, Saraswathipuram, **11 am to 7.30 pm.**
- **Mysore Art Gallery:** Interaction with Achievers and Art Demo-87, Achiever of the Month - Yallappa Y. Kumbar, Bengaluru, Journalist K. Narasimha Murthy chief guest, Mysore Art Gallery Founder-President L. Shivalingappa presides, Gallery premises, Ramanuja Road, **11 am.**
- **Sharana Sahitya Parishat, Mysuru City Unit and Kannada Department - JSS Women's Degree College:** Prize Distribution Ceremony of Inter-College Essay Competition, Music University VC Prof. Nagesh V. Bettakote inaugurates, writer Bannur K. Raju delivers lecture on 'Vachana Sahityadalli Vaijnanika Chintane,' retd. Professor H.P. Gangadharaswamy chief guest, JSS Women's Degree College Principal Dr. M. Poornima distributes prizes, reading of prize-winning essays, Sharana Sahitya Parishat - Mysuru City Unit President M.G. Sadanandaiah presides, Navajyothi auditorium, JSS Women's College, Saraswathipuram, **11 am.**
- **Sayoga, Mysuru:** Two-day Sayoga Bazaar-2023, expo-cum-sale of natural perfumes, fabric dolls, stationery, home decor, clothing, jewellery and much more... No. 2775, 4th Main, V.V. Mohalla, **11 am to 7 pm.**
- **Department of Physical Education (DPE), University of Mysore (UoM):** Prize Distribution Ceremony of Mysore University Inter-College 94th Athletics Meet 2023-24, retd. Professor and UoM Sports Committee Member Prof. B.S. Vishwanath, UoM Syndicate Member Gokul Govardhan and Journalist & UoM Sports Committee Member Amshi Prasannakumar chief guests, UoM DPE Director Dr. C. Venkatesh presides, Oval Grounds, UoM premises, **12 noon.**
- **Indian Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air-conditioning Engineers (ISHRAE):** Urjavaran-2023, the annual conference of ISHRAE, **2 pm to 10 pm;** Inauguration, Dr. N. Muthukumar, President, Meritor, will be the chief guest at the inaugural function at 3 pm. Dr. S.A. Mohan Krishna, President, ISHRAE Mysore Chapter, Anil Kumar Nadiger, Immediate Past President, Arani Srinivas, President-Elect, Prof. E. Amruth, Secretary, T.A. Prabhakar, Programme Chair, S.G. Rajesh, Treasurer, P.V. Bharadwaj and others will be present. Hotel Le Regenta, **3 pm.**
- **Prajna Mahila Samaja, Saraswathipuram:** Anniversary celebrations, Suttur Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji graces the occasion, MMC&RI Dean & Director Dr. K.R. Dhakshayini inaugurates, Additional SP Dr. B.N. Nandini and Prajna Mahila Samaja Founder-President Vasundhara S. Kumar chief guests, JSS Law College auditorium, Kuvempunagar, **4.30 pm.**
- **Malini Nrityashale mattu Samskrutika Kendra, Mysuru and Kannada & Cultrue Directorate, Bengaluru:** Dasavani Programme, Brahmatantra Swatantra Parakalamutt, next to Jaganmohan Palace, Lakshmi Vilas Road, **5.30 pm.**
- **Sri Ramakrishna Ashram, Mysuru:** Swami Muktidananda speaks on 'Daivaprajna Karmayajna Spiritualising Work,' Ashram premises, Yadavagiri, **6 pm.**
- **Noopura Kalavidaru Samskrutika Trust:** Smt. K. Vanajakshamma Samsmarana Nritya Aradhana 2023, Bharatanatyam by Tumakuru's Vidu. Bala Vishwanath's troupe, **6.15 pm;** Bharatanatyam by Bengaluru's Bharatanritya Sangeetha Academy Director Dr. Shubharani Bolar's troupe, Ganabharathi Ramagovinda Kalavedike, Kuvempunagar, **7.30 pm to 8.30 pm.**
- **Kalasuruchi and Kutuhali:** Science Sanje, Dr. Belle Damodara Shenoy, Principal Scientist, NIO, Vishakapatnam, speaks on 'Role of Fungi in Human life,' in Kannada and English, Suruchi Rangamane, Chitrabhanu Road, Kuvempunagar, **6.30 pm to 7.30 pm.**
- **Abhiyenthararu - A Theatre for Engineers, Mysuru:** 30th anniversary celebrations, 'Ranga Sambhrama' Theatre Festival, staging of play 'Mallige Thotadalli Murder,' written and director by Rajendra Karanth, Mini Theatre, Kalamandira premises, Hunsur Road, **7 pm.** [Mob: 99453-55777 or 99022-38443]

Three-day 'holiday carnival' by BIT from today

Mysuru, Dec. 8- City's leading travel company **Bharath International Travels (BIT)** is hosting a three-day 'holiday carnival' starting today (Dec. 8) until Dec. 10. The event offers enticing holiday packages with exclusive inaugural offers.

Carnival attendees have the chance to win meal vouchers at noted hotels, adding an extra element of excitement. On-the-spot special offers are available for those who make quick decisions and book their preferred tours immediately.

Europe, a favoured destination for many, will feature in three distinct tours with varying durations. Other international destinations include Japan, Australia, Vietnam, Cambodia, South Africa and more. Additionally, a diverse range of domestic tours is available for selection.

The Carnival offers attendees the advantage of expert consultation on various tours, visa processes and the presence of tour managers who accompany groups, addressing any queries customers may have about the product. Information on flight connectivity, food served during the tour, weather conditions and more will be readily available.

The Sales Team at BIT said that the 'holiday carnival' is an annual event that consistently draws a large crowd. The carnival takes place at the Bharath International Travels office, situated at 918, CH-2, Kantharaj Urs Road, Lakshmipuram, from 10 am to 7 pm on all three days.

For more information, interested individuals can contact Mob: +91 81475-84901.

AGM of Mysore Literary Association on Dec. 10

Mysuru, Dec. 8- The 7th Annual General Body Meeting (AGM) of Mysore Literary Association for 2022-2023 will be held on Sunday (Dec.10) at 11 am at Rotary Mysore West Auditorium, Kamakshi Hospital Road, Saraswathipuram, Mysuru. For further details contact Ph: 0821-2975469, according to a press release from Reginald Wesley, Hon. Secretary of Mysore Literary Association [Mob:99806-56631].

Sandya Sambhrama by Swaraanjali

Mysuru, Dec. 8- Swaraanjali, a group of passionate singers from different professions have come together to present ***Sandya Sambhrama,*** dedicated to all senior citizens.

Swaraanjali will be conducting various competitions and health evaluation camp for senior citizens. The following is the details of the competitions:

Dec.9: Singing competition at 9 am; **Dec.10:** Rangoli competition and Prelims of Quiz "Path antha HeLi" at 9 am. This will be followed by musical event by Swaraanjali members from 5 pm.

Dec.16: Fashion show for senior citizens from 3 pm; **Dec. 17:** Valedictory function and Finale of Quiz with Quiz Master Dr. Na. Someshwar.

The following singers will be performing in the programme: Dr. Raghuveer, Dr. Somnath, Dr. Seethalakshmy, Suchitra, Roopashree, Balaji, Anand Madhwa, Dr. Balram, Dr. Manjunath, Meera, Bhuwaneshwari, Manju Joshy, Madhusudan, Jeevan, Divya, Darshitha, Nikhil Prabhu, Srinivas and Amogh.

All the events will be conducted at MMC&RI Platinum Jubilee Hall, JK Grounds, Mysuru. For details contact Mob: 97412-20301 or 96639-77949, according to a press release from Roopashree Seshadri of Swaraanjali.

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Animal (H)	(S-1)	10.25 am, 2.20 pm 6.15 pm, 10.05 pm
Sapta Sagardaache Ello - B (K)	(S-2)	10.20 am
Athi I Love You (K)	(S-2)	1.45 pm
Extra Ordinary Man (Te)	(S-2)	4.00 pm, 10.10 pm
Sam Bahadur (H)	(S-2)	7.10 pm
Politics Kalyana (K)	(S-3)	11.05 am
Marichi (K)	(S-3)	1.40 pm
Conjuring Kannappan (Ta)	(S-3)	4.15 pm
Wonka (E)	(S-3)	7.20 pm, 9.55 pm
Kaiva (K)	(S-4)	10.35 am, 1.20 pm, 10.00 pm
Hi Nanna (Te)	(S-4)	4.05 pm, 7.00 pm

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Kaiva (K)	:	10.30 am, 1.40 pm, 6.55 pm
Extra Ordinary Man (Te)	:	11.15 am, 6.30 pm
Hi Nanna (Te)	:	1.05 pm, 9.25 pm
Marichi (K)	:	4.00 pm
Conjuring Kannappan (Ta)	:	4.15 pm, 9.30 pm

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Hi Nanna (Te)	:	9.15 am, 12.30 pm, 3.45 pm, 7.00 pm
Wonka (E)	:	9.30 am, 3.50 pm, 9.15 pm
Trailers Screening Show	:	10.05 am
Kaiva (K)	:	12.10 pm
Conjuring Kannappan (Ta)	:	2.55 pm, 10.00 pm
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Marichi (K)	:	6.25 pm
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Animal (H)	:	9.30 am, 10.00 am, 1.35 pm 2.05 pm, 5.40 pm, 6.10 pm 9.45 pm, 10.15 pm
Wonka (E)	:	10.30 am, 7.30 pm
Hi Nanna (Te)	:	11.25 am, 6.45 pm
Sam Bahadur (H)	:	1.10 pm, 10.00 pm
Extra Ordinary Man (Te)	:	2.40 pm, 10.10 pm
Sapta Sagaradaache Ello - B (K)	:	4.25 pm

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Kaiva (K)	(S-4)	4.00 pm
Sam Bahadur (H)	(S-4)	10.20 pm
Sapta Sagaradaache Ello - B (K)	(S-3)	1.10 pm
Wonka (E)	(S-3)	7.35 pm; (S-4) 1.25 pm
Hi Nanna (Te)	(S-3)	9.55 am, 4.20 pm, 10.10 pm
Extra (Ordinary Man) (Te)	(S-4)	10.05 am, 7.00 pm

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Animal (H)	:	9.15 am, 10.00 am, 1.20 pm, 2.05 pm 5.25 pm, 6.10 pm, 9.30 pm, 10.15 pm
Wonka (E)	:	10.05 am, 4.35 pm
Extra Ordinary Man (Te)	:	10.25 am, 3.55 pm, 10.30 pm
Hi Nanna (Te)	:	12.40 pm, 7.15 pm
Marichi (K)	:	1.45 pm
Kaiva (K)	:	7.10 pm
Sapta Sagaradaache Ello - B (K)	:	10.10 pm

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UoM VC inaugurates 'Vartalap' workshop for media representatives in city

Prof. N.K. Lokanath, Vice-Chancellor, University of Mysore, inaugurating 'Vartalap' workshop for media representatives in city yesterday as others look on.

Mysuru, Dec.8 (RK&DM)- University of Mysore (UoM) Vice-Chancellor Prof. N.K. Lokanath said that media plays a crucial role in providing information and educating public on Government schemes, programmes, facilities, benefits etc.

He was speaking after inaugurating 'Vartalap', a workshop for media representatives, organised jointly by the Department of Information, Government of India, Press Information Bureau (PIB), Department of Information and Public Relations, District Administration, Mysuru District Journalists Association (MDJA) and the Department of Journalism and Mass Communication of UoM, at Siddhartha Hotel in Nazarbad here yesterday.

Maintaining that the Press and other forms of Media play a crucial role in effectively reaching out Government schemes to the general public, especially in rural areas, Prof. Lokanath reiterated that an effective means of communication is vital in delivering Government programmes. In this backdrop such workshops must be held at Taluk and Hobli levels as well, he opined.

The Government of India's Information Department Additional Director General S.G. Ravindra, in his address, said that the Centre has implemented several schemes for the welfare of the people.

Pointing out that 49 publicity vehicles are in operation in the State for publicising information on 79 Central schemes, he said that this campaign is as part of 'Viksit Bharat' initiative of the Centre. Prime Minister Narendra Modi will be addressing the beneficiaries of various Central schemes of Kolar and Tumakuru districts virtually on Dec. 9, he added.

Mysuru DHO Dr. P.C. Kumaraswamy, who also spoke, explained how the Health department, with the co-operation of the Media, successfully tackled the COVID pandemic a couple of years ago.

Highlighting that health workers are engaged in door-to-door campaigns for the success of Pulse Polio and eradication of diseases such as Leprosy and Tuberculosis, he said that Ayushman Bharat — Arogya Karnataka cards are being distributed to the beneficiaries.

UoM Department of Journalism and Mass Communication Head Prof. M.S. Sapna, Senior Journalist Amshi Prasannakumar, MDJA President S.T. Ravikumar and Lead Bank Manager V.N. Nagesh too spoke.

In the sessions held later, Scheme Nodal Officer Dr. B. Brunda spoke about Pradhan Mantri Ayushman Bharat scheme, POC Assistant Manager Harsha on Pradhan Mantri Ujwala scheme, D.T. Venkatesh of SBI on Pradhan Mantri Jandhan scheme, Lead Bank Manager V.N. Nagesh on Viksit Bharat, KGB Regional Manager Shankarnarayan on Kisan Credit Card, SBI Chief Manager K. Venugopal Rao on MUDRA scheme, District T.B. Control Officer Dr. Mohammed Siraj Ahmed on Sickle Cell Anaemia and Dr. Mahadev Prasad on control of epidemic diseases.

PIB Officers Shruthi and Prakash, Assistant Director of Department of Information and Public Relations, Mysuru, T.K. Harish, Information Officer Ramesh and others were present on the occasion.

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